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1. The HWP (Hungarian Workers' (Communist) Party) committee which has been investigating former Minister of Defense and Politburo member Mihály Farkas, is headed by István Kovács, member of the Secretariat and Political Committee of the HWP Central Committee. Béla Szalai, Secretariat and Political Committee member, and Minister of Justice Erik Molnár, together with other HWP leaders loyal to Secretary General Mátyás Rákosi, constitute the committee. It is not known whether the investigative committee submitted its report to the Political Committee by late May 1956, as scheduled.

2. According to a number of Farkas' acquaintances, he is at liberty in Budapest.

3. Farkas' son Vladimir, although withdrawn from the Lenin University in Budapest at the beginning of the investigation, continues to receive his monthly scholarship of 4,500 forint. He is still a member, though inactive, of the AV

Headquarters Comment: This report predates Rákosi's resignation.

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